

# CLAY COUNTY FACTSHEET



## 4-H Notes at Noon – February 9, 2017

### Leader Action Items

**4-H Leader's Meeting** – In person meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm at the Clay County Extension Office Auditorium. At this meeting we will cover the upcoming fair, project books, community service and end of the year awards. **Please RSVP to Katrina by February 24<sup>th</sup>** at [piercek@ufl.edu](mailto:piercek@ufl.edu) or 904-284-6355.

**2017 Great American Cleanup** – Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 12noon. We are expecting all Clay County 4-H clubs to come out and volunteer for this wonderful community event and show your 4-H pride. **Please sign up through Eventbrite at:** <https://4-hcommunityservice.eventbrite.com>  
For details, follow the link: <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Other/2017%20SJRC%20POSTER.pdf>

**Sign-in Sheets** – Please remember to turn in your club sign in sheets to the 4-H office. We also ask that you let us know when your members do their club presentations. You can either e-mail Katrina or mark it on the sign in sheets. Please contact us if you have any questions.

### Announcements

**Consumer Choices Contest** – The Clay County 4-H Consumer Choices Contest will be on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Godbold Building at the Clay County Extension Office. Check in will start at 5:30pm and the contest will begin at 5:45pm. Junior, Intermediate and Senior 4-H members are eligible to sign up as individuals. This year's topics are: jeans, digital cameras, fast food meals and outdoor backpacks. For rules and registration, follow this link: <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Consumer%20Choices/2017%204-H%20Consumer%20Choices%20Rules.pdf>  
For the study guide, click this link: <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Consumer%20Choices/2017%20Consumer%20Choices%20Study%20Guide.pdf>  
For a sample class, click this link: <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Consumer%20Choices/2017%20Sample%20Consumer%20Choices%20Class.pdf>

**County Events** – Clay County 4-H Events will be held on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Clay County Extension Office. You can participate in Public Speaking, Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks, Fashion Revue, Share the Fun, 4-H Photo Contest and the 4-H Graphic Design Contest. The deadline to register is February 27<sup>th</sup>. For details click the following link: <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/County%20&%20District%20Events/2017%20Clay%20County%20Events%20Rules.pdf>

**County Events Practice Dates** – We will have several dates available for you to come in and practice your topic for County Events. You may sign up for a day and time through Eventbrite at: <https://4-hcountyeventspractice.eventbrite.com>

**Clay County Ag Fair Scholarship** – The Clay County Fair is now accepting applications from High School graduating seniors in 4-H, FFA, FCCLA or Police Explorers for their 2017 scholarship. Click on the link for details and application. Deadline to submit an application is February 24, 2017. <http://www.claycountyfair.org/p/getinvolved/298>

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**Clay County 4-H T-shirts** - If family members and friends would like a t-shirt, we will be selling them for \$10 each. Please send your name, club and size to Katrina at [piercek@ufl.edu](mailto:piercek@ufl.edu). Once the t-shirts are in you will be notified.

**4-H State Archery Match** – Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at the Easton-Newberry Sports Complex. Registration is now open in 4honline and is \$25 per archer. Registration deadline is March 10<sup>th</sup>. For rules, click on the link:

[http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Other/Shooting%20Sports/State\\_Archery\\_Match\\_Rules.pdf](http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Other/Shooting%20Sports/State_Archery_Match_Rules.pdf)

Click here for match information:

[http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Other/Shooting%20Sports/State\\_Archery\\_Match\\_Timeline.pdf](http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/4h/Events/Other/Shooting%20Sports/State_Archery_Match_Timeline.pdf)

## **Opportunities (Non 4-H & Surrounding Counties)**

**4-H Day at the Florida State Fair** – Get free admission to the Florida State Fair on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> with your 4-H membership card. <http://www.floridastatefair.com>

**Pasture and Livestock Management Short Course** – Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at the Clay County Extension Office. Having issues with your pasture grass, fighting weeds, or are some of your livestock having health problems? The spring time is a great time to plan and take steps to correct problems livestock owners face out in the pasture. This 3 hour short course will focus on topics of pasture management, weed management, seasonal options and herd health. If you have cattle, horses, goats, sheep, or you just want to expand your knowledge about pastures, please be welcome to attend this course. For details and registration, click below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pasture-and-livestock-management-short-course-tickets-31448999805>

**Florida Youth Institute (FYI)** – Summer Program seeking applicants for 2017. The Florida Youth Institute is a one-week residential summer program offered July 9-14, 2017 and July 16-21, 2017 for up to 25 selected students per session. Applicants must be entering their junior or senior year of high school. FYI will expose students to issues in agriculture, life science, and natural resources to stimulate interest in and an appreciation for the range of college majors and career opportunities available in these areas. Applications are due before March 17, 2017. For details click on the link:

<http://us12.campaign-archive1.com/?u=9d637441e32af6dd4f0f6615f&id=fa35218203&e=2bf25a5fe0>

**Clay County Fair Shows** – Now is the time to go check out all the Clay County Fair shows and contests to see what you want to enter. Don't forget to be gathering your items to submit in the **4-H Booth**. For details and online registration, click the following link:

<http://www.claycountyfair.org/p/getinvolved/handbook>

**Clay County Fair Horse Exhibit** – Rose Knowles is looking for volunteers for the Fair Horse Exhibit. Please review the attached schedule and email me with times you are available. Some of the horse owners have already signed up, so Friday March 31 and Monday April 3rd are already full. As years previous, I will add shifts as needed. You can get with me at the horse show or come see me at work to get your tickets, which I will send an email as soon as they are available. The Clay County Fair Open Youth Horse Show is scheduled for 03/25/17, mark your calendars! The Speed Division will be the following weekend on 04/01/17. The deadline to enter is March 10, 2017.

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## Volunteer Resources

**Get WILD, Woodsy and WET** –At a combination Project WILD, Project Learning Tree, and Project Aquatic WILD training on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Open to all educators (formal and non-formal) for grades K – 8. For details see the FWC website: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/FLFFWCC/bulletins/1845da6>

**Livestock Judging Resource** - A subscription for the Livestock Judging online resource has been purchased for use by any 4-H county. The Livestock Judging website is an online resource that has over 100 livestock classes including cattle, sheep, swine, goats, keep/cull and more. To access the online livestock judging classes go to [www.livestockjudging.com](http://www.livestockjudging.com). The username is Florida4-H and the password is FLClover1.

**Leader/volunteer** – Please mark your calendars so that you can join us for the following Volunteer Bootcamp Trainings. These webinars will take place via the computer so that you can remain in the comfort of your home or office and not have to travel to the 4-H office. More information and the links will come out within a week of the webinars.

May 18, 2017                      Evaluation, recognition and awards                      12pm – 1pm

Our first webinar in this series has been recorded and you can log on and view it at your convenience. This webinar focus was on Community Service Learning and Recreation. To view the recording, please follow the link to our webpage to access it. [http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/Clay\\_County\\_4H\\_Newsletter.shtml](http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu/Clay_County_4H_Newsletter.shtml)

**4-H Jackets and Vests** – Interested in purchasing a 4-H jacket or vest for shows? Follow the link to Universal Lettering Co. for details: <http://www.showjacket.com/>

## Important Dates / Deadlines

<b>Feb.</b>	<b>9-20</b>	Florida State Fair
	<b>11</b>	4-H Day at the Florida State Fair FSF Livestock Judging Contest FSF Horse Judging Contest
	<b>20</b>	Office Closed for President’s Day
	<b>24</b>	Registration deadline for 4-H Consumer Choices Contest
	<b>25</b>	State Traditional Archery Match
	<b>27</b>	Registration deadline for 4-H County Events
<b>March</b>	<b>2</b>	4-H Consumer Choices Contest 4-H Leader’s Meeting

**Save the Date** –County Events – March 11<sup>th</sup>  
St. Johns River Clean-up – March 18<sup>th</sup>  
4-H Day at the Capital – March 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Clay County Fair – March 30<sup>th</sup> - April 8<sup>th</sup>  
4-H/Garber Ford Family Fun Day – May 6<sup>th</sup>  
4-H Camp Cherry Lake – July 17-21, 2017  
4-H Awards Banquet – August 10, 2017